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Report for S.29 Satellite Communications Security Act of 1987

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To authorize the procurement and installation of cryptographic equipment at satellite communications facilities within the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES January 6, 1987

Mr. Moynihan introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

To authorize the procurement and installation of cryptographic equipment at satellite communications facilities within the United States, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) This Act may be cited as the "Satellite Communications Security Act of 1987".

- (b) The purpose of this Act is to provide further for the security of satellite communications transmissions between facilities within the United States and to prevent the interception of, or access to, such transmissions by foreign governments or other unauthorized parties.
- (c)(1) To carry out the purposes of subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense, acting through the National Security Agency and acting in cooperation with private enterprises engaged in satellite communications within the United States, is authorized to procure and install cryptographic equipment at satellite communications facilities within the United States.
- (2) Any private enterprise owning a satellite communications facility at which equipment was installed under paragraph (1) shall be reimbursed by the Secretary of Defense for the costs incurred in operating and maintaining such

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- (d) The provisions of subsections (b) and (c) shall apply only to any mounications system utilizing direct satellite transmissions which--
 - (1) on reception, are switched through a common carrier system;
 - (2) have greatest impact on the national defense or foreign policy of the United States; and
 - (3) are carried on a circuit or service which--
 - (A) is leased by the United States Government:
 - (B) is related to national security, including any circuit leased by a private corporation or organization having a contract with the United States Government, particularly a contract with the Department of Defense; or
- (C) is leased by any organization concerned with large financial transactions, commodities, stock transactions, or economic forecasts. (e)(1) There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Defense for use by the National Security Agency such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.
- (2) Amounts appropriated under this subsection are authorized to remain available until expended.
 - (f) For purposes of this Act--
 - (1) the term "common carrier" has the same meaning as such term is defined in section 3(h) of the Communications Act of 1933 (47 U.S.C. 153(h)); and
 - (2) the term "United States" refers to the States of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa.